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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR UPDATING NEW VERSIONS OF  
FIRMWARE IN THE BACKGROUND**

Enclosed are also:

☒ 16 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 8 Pages of Claims  
☒ 3 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

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Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$260	=	\$
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